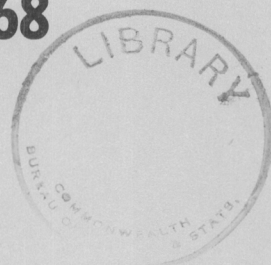


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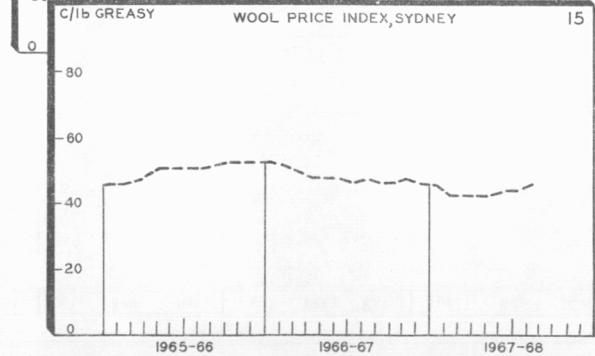
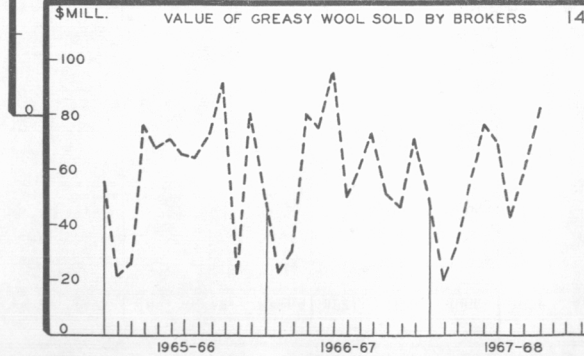
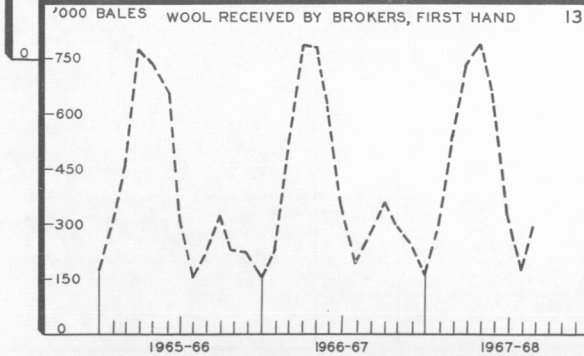
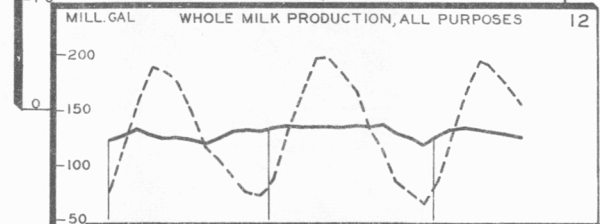
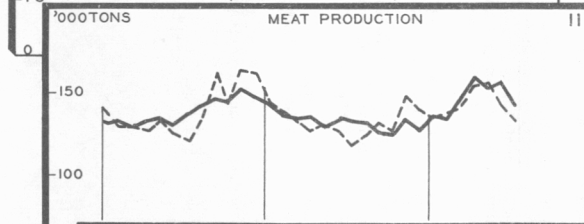
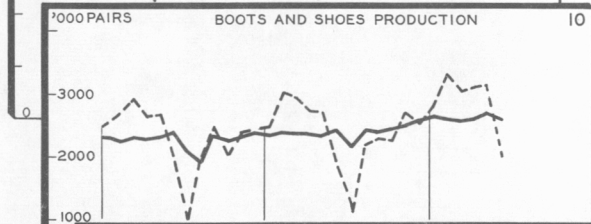
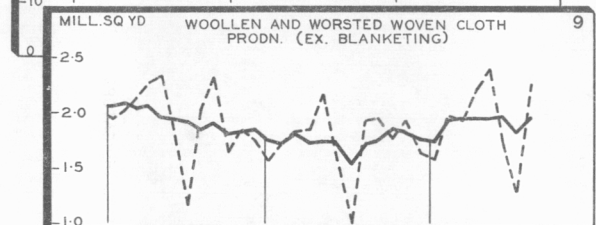
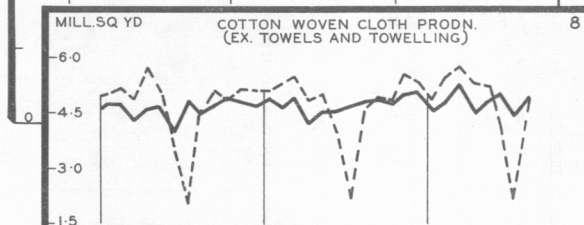
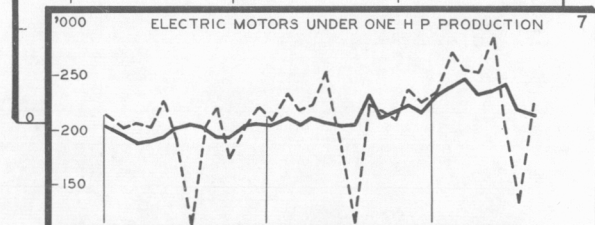
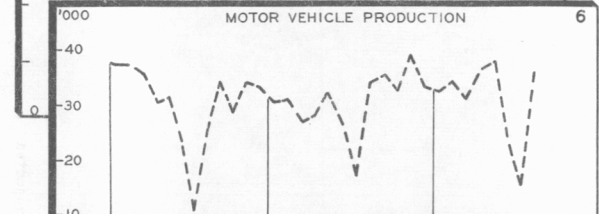
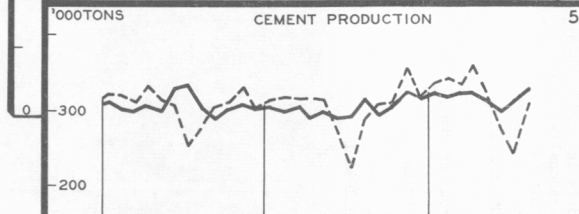
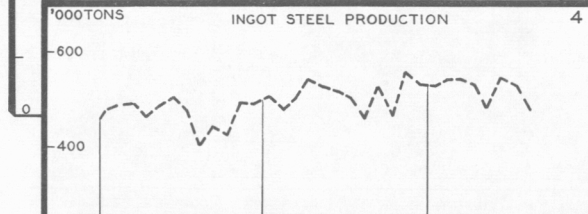
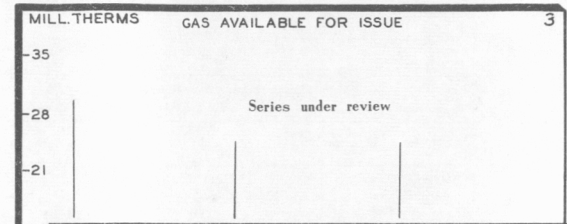
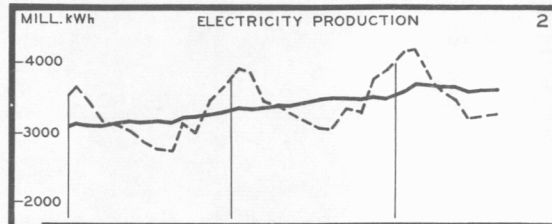
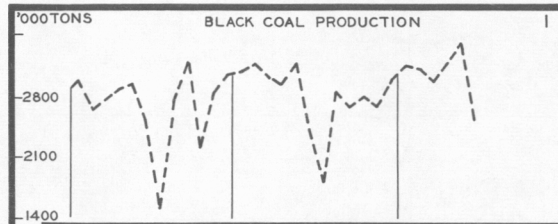
As well as being adjusted for normal seasonal factors, some of the statistical series included in the Digest have been adjusted for the effects of some calendar irregularities, namely: 'trading-day' effects (arising from the varying numbers of Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, etc., in the month) and the influence of moveable holidays, i.e. Easter and Australia Day. The adjustments made to each series are indicated in Appendix B of Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1967.

The seasonally adjusted series are subject to revision.



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— SEASONALLY ADJUSTED



		1966-67												1967-68												
			July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
PRODUCTION, ETC. (a)																										
1. BLACK COAL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	3,065	3,152	3,008	2,923	3,163	2,490	1,803	2,841	2,655	2,799	3,422	2,953	3,142	3,111	2,938	3,159	3,388	2,500						
2. ELECTRICITY PRODUCTION	mill.kWh	Original Adjusted	3,923 3,397	3,848 3,384	3,453 3,395	3,387 3,428	3,276 3,427	3,162 3,463	3,077 3,501	3,065 3,509	3,335 3,507	3,306 3,494	3,793 3,515	3,879 3,510	4,175 3,605	4,202 3,705	3,755 3,700	3,607 3,623	3,508 3,669	3,210 3,567	3,233 3,620	3,279 3,619				
3. GAS AVAILABLE FOR ISSUE	mill.therms	Original Adjusted	Series under review																							
4. INGOT STEEL PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original	509	480	504	541	524	516	508	456	523	462	553	530	526	540	541	530	477	544	526	479				
5. CEMENT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original Adjusted	314 305	319 300	315 306	316 292	313 301	267 289	221 291	290 317	307 292	309 305	353 326	315 316	336 326	341 321	333 324	354 326	324 312	277 301	240 314	312 329				
6. MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCTION	'000	Original	30.5	31.1	26.8	28.1	32.6	26.5	17.1	34.5	35.9	32.8	39.1	33.4	32.8	34.8	31.1	36.8	38.1	24.3	15.6	36.2				
7. ELECTRIC MOTORS UNDER ONE HP, PRODUCTION	'000	Original Adjusted	207 203	233 212	216 204	221 212	254 208	186 204	111 204	222 222	216 213	210 218	237 225	227 216	235 233	273 242	253 247	251 233	287 236	202 229	131 218	224 213				
8. COTTON WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding towels and towelling)	'000 sq yd	Original Adjusted	5,125 4,930	5,326 4,668	5,526 4,962	4,842 4,236	5,043 4,595	3,927 4,585	2,119 4,731	4,630 4,804	4,968 4,945	4,839 4,798	5,590 5,022	5,375 5,109	4,816 4,600	5,533 4,871	5,809 5,329	5,310 4,481	5,227 4,853	4,232 5,056	2,163 4,451	4,915 4,925				
9. WOOLLEN AND WORSTED WOVEN CLOTH PRODUCTION (excluding blanketing)	'000 sq yd	Original Adjusted	1,581 1,730	1,748 1,719	1,844 1,815	1,867 1,710	2,186 1,758	1,584 1,768	992 1,538	1,922 1,744	1,977 1,765	1,787 1,875	1,943 1,811	1,620 1,786	1,596 1,752	1,989 1,948	1,916 1,926	2,243 1,969	2,402 1,972	1,729 1,983	1,285 1,820	2,260 1,981				
10. BOOTS AND SHOES PRODUCTION	'000 pairs	Original Adjusted	2,499 2,359	3,038 2,411	2,917 2,389	2,728 2,381	2,733 2,349	1,904 2,442	1,108 2,170	2,219 2,455	2,328 2,410	2,282 2,448	2,703 2,534	2,543 2,576	2,807 2,661	3,310 2,602	3,026 2,559	3,114 2,617	3,151 2,721	2,038 2,699						
11. MEAT PRODUCTION	'000 tons	Original Adjusted	144 143	138 136	133 134	128 136	131 130	127 136	119 133	125 131	131 125	128 125	149 135	139 128	135 136	137 134	141 148	154 160	156 154	142 157	132 143					
12. WHOLE MILK PRODUCTION, ALL PURPOSES	mill.gal	Original Adjusted	89 133	131 135	165 135	198 135	198 135	184 133	168 137	130 135	116 137	85 129	73 125	65 119	86 129	126 131	160 132	194 130	189 130	173 126	155 125					
13. WOOL RECEIVED BY BROKERS, FIRST HAND	'000 bales	Original	231.5	502.9	789.5	782.5	627.3	348.2	192.7	278.4	361.3	299.4	239.6	160.0	282.8	542.8	736.2	790.4	667.5	324.4	179.4	297.7				
14. VALUE OF GREASY WOOL SOLD BY BROKERS	\$ mill.	Original	22.2	30.7	80.1	75.1	95.6	49.6	60.1	73.3	51.1	46.6	71.3	52.3	19.8	32.2	55.2	76.1	70.3	42.4	59.3	83.4				
15. WOOL PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY	cents per lb greasy	Original	53	52	50	48	48	48	47	48	47	47	48	47	46	43	43	43	*	*	*	*				

(a) Figures for items 1 to 12 are preliminary from July 1967.

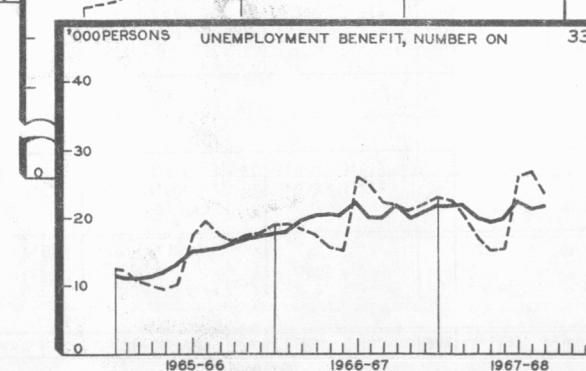
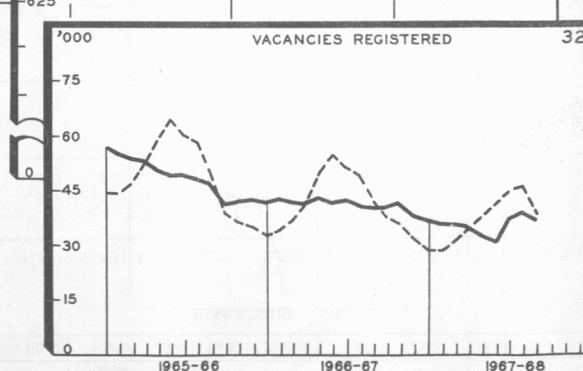
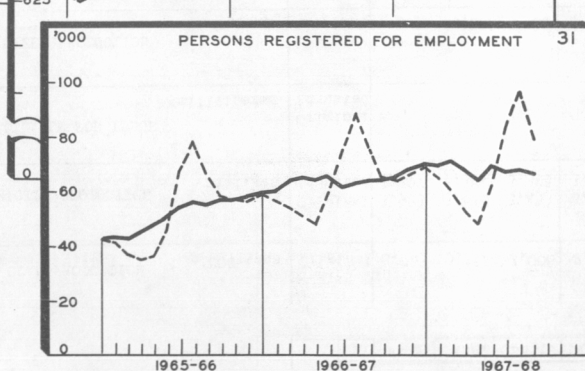
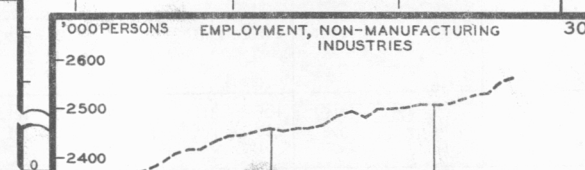
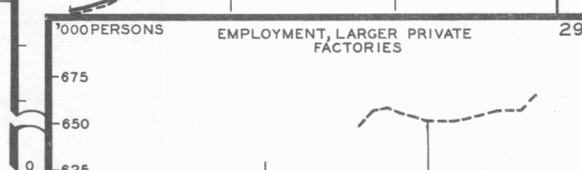
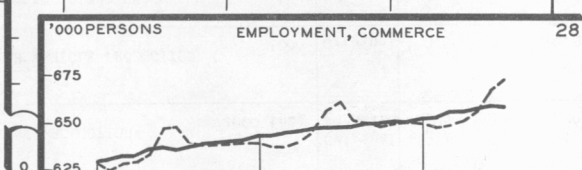
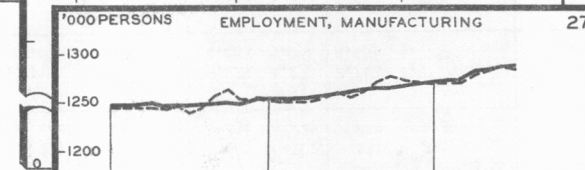
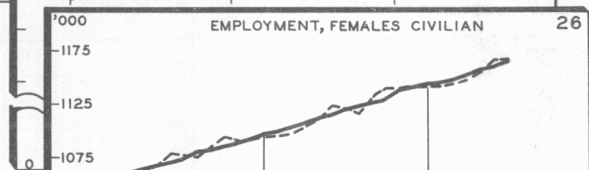
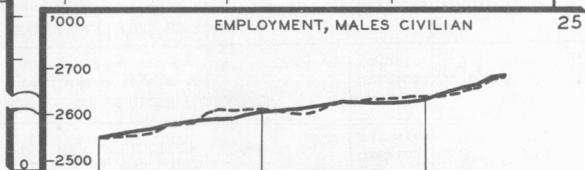
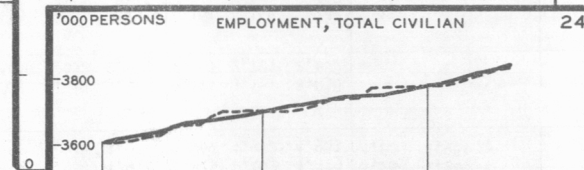
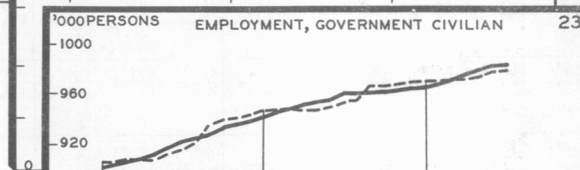
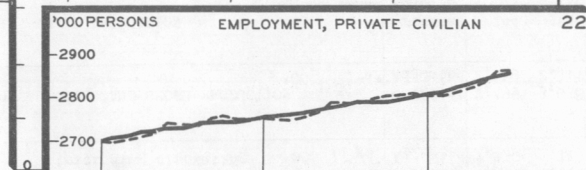
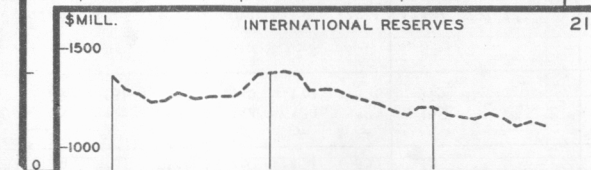
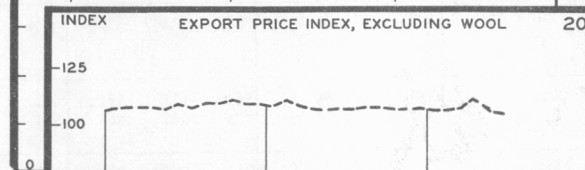
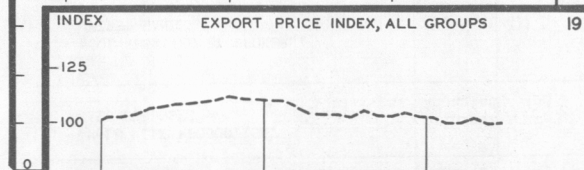
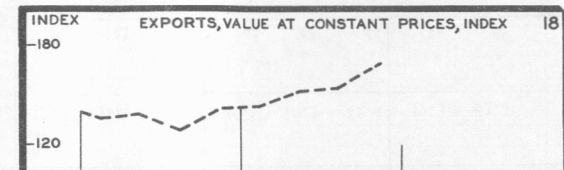
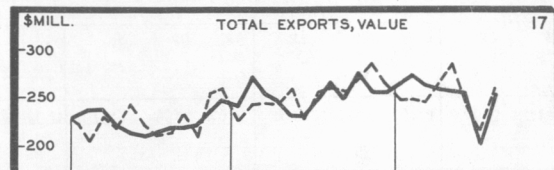
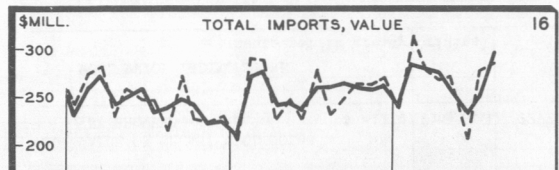
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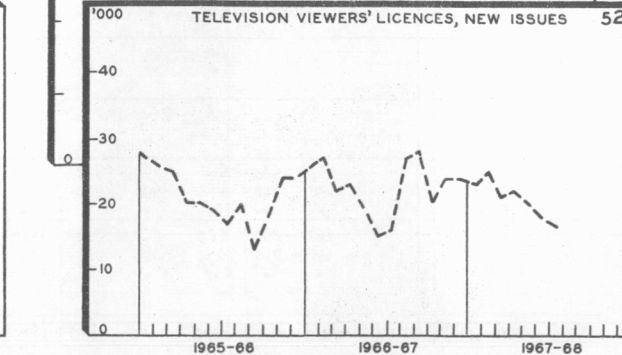
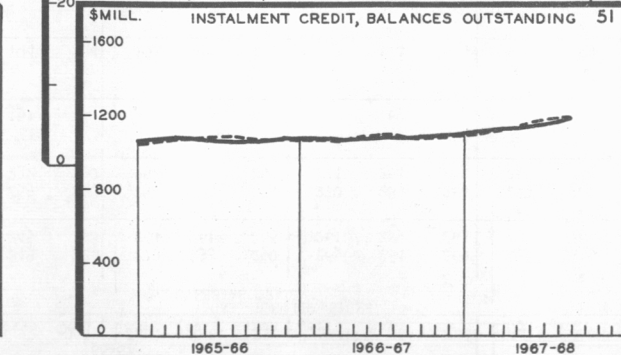
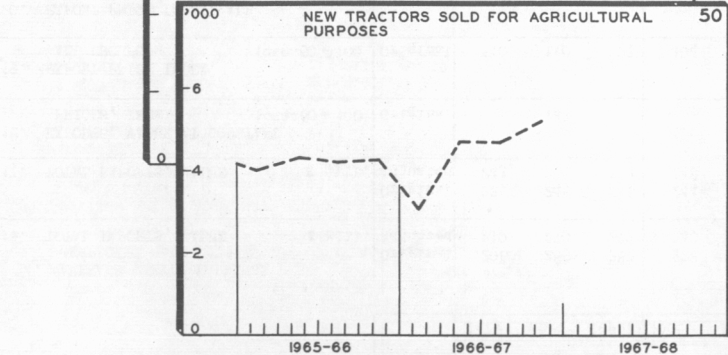
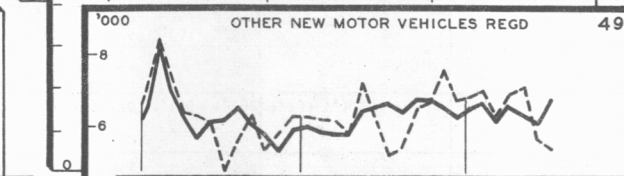
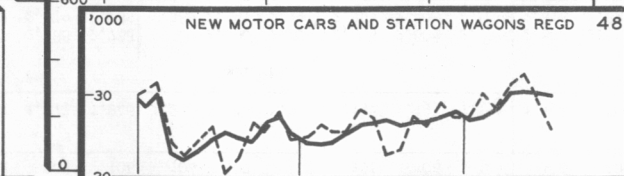
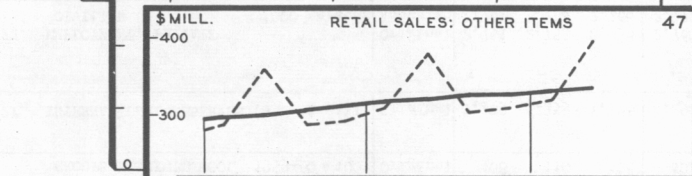
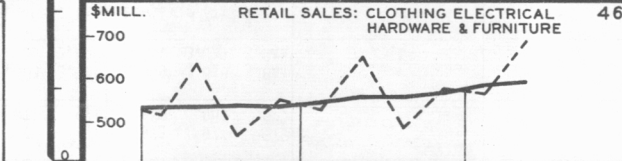
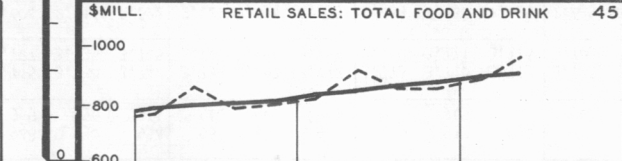
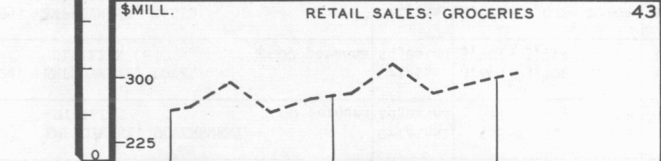
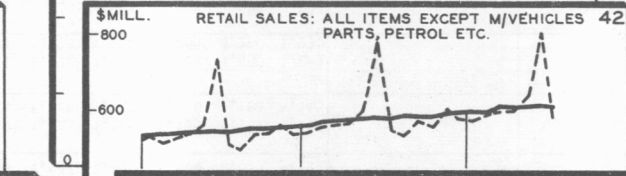
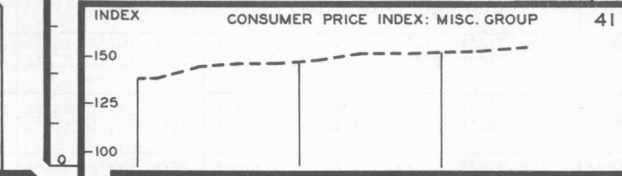
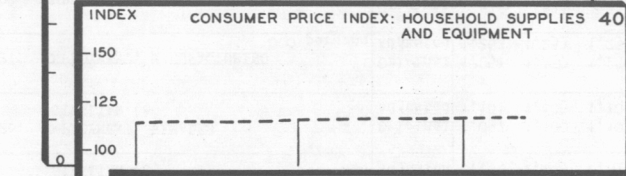
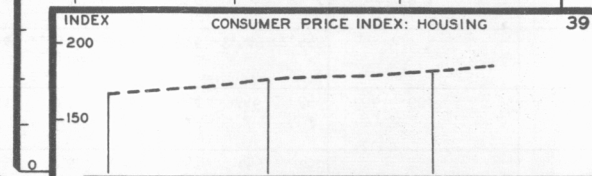
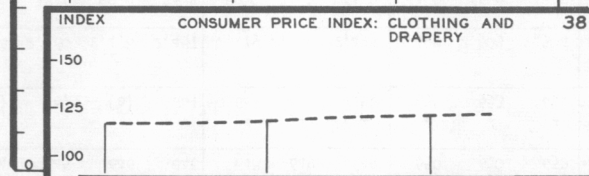
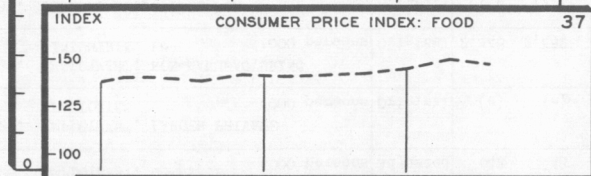
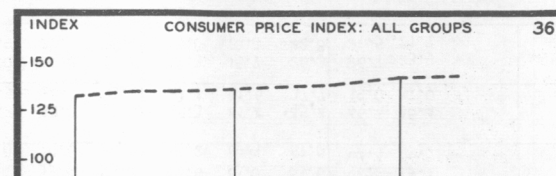
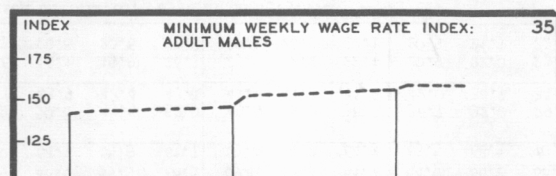
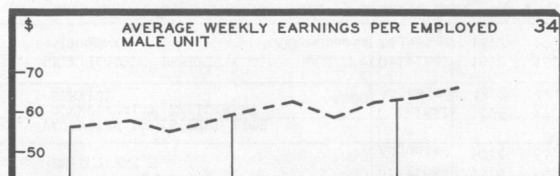
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OVERSEAS TRADE																									
16. TOTAL IMPORTS, VALUE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	206 210	289 270	287 277	228 240	249 245	226 238	279 261	233 261	250 265	265 261	264 259	269 263	236 238	231 285	276 279	266 275	270 258	208 233	276 252	285 297			
17. TOTAL EXPORTS, VALUE	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	226 243	245 271	246 253	244 248	259 232	228 230	256 252	260 266	239 250	270 274	285 254	264 255	247 265	248 273	246 264	266 258	285 256	241 255	217 205	261 254			
18. EXPORTS, VALUE AT CONSTANT PRICES, INDEX 1959-60 = 100		Original		143			151			154			169												
19. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS 1959-60 = 100		Original	110	110	107	104	104	104	103	105	103	103	104	103	102	99	99	101	98	99					
20. EXPORT PRICE INDEX, ALL GROUPS EXCLUDING WOOL 1959-60 = 100		Original	108	110	108	106	105	106	106	107	107	106	106	107	106	106	107	111	105	104					
21. INTERNATIONAL RESERVES (a)	\$ mill.	Original	1,379	1,359	1,286	1,290	1,277	1,248	1,236	1,215	1,175	1,158	1,197	1,198	1,157	1,151	1,143	1,170	1,146	1,092	1,131	1,102			
EMPLOYMENT (b)																									
22. EMPLOYMENT, PRIVATE CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	2,751 2,761	2,753 2,764	2,758 2,768	2,767 2,772	2,788 2,779	2,788 2,785	2,782 2,788	2,800 2,791	2,805 2,791	2,805 2,797	2,808 2,805	2,806 2,809	2,804 2,814	2,812 2,823	2,822 2,832	2,836 2,842	2,861 2,852	2,862 2,859					
23. EMPLOYMENT, GOVERNMENT CIVILIAN	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	948 947	949 949	948 952	948 955	950 956	954 961	956 960	967 961	967 961	968 963	970 965	970 966	971 969	972 972	972 976	973 980	977 983	979 985					
24. EMPLOYMENT, TOTAL CIVILIAN (c)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	3,699 3,707	3,702 3,714	3,706 3,720	3,715 3,727	3,738 3,735	3,742 3,745	3,739 3,747	3,767 3,752	3,772 3,752	3,773 3,760	3,778 3,771	3,775 3,775	3,775 3,783	3,783 3,795	3,794 3,808	3,809 3,822	3,838 3,835	3,841 3,844					
25. EMPLOYMENT, MALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	Original Adjusted	2,603 2,606	2,602 2,609	2,601 2,611	2,604 2,616	2,616 2,620	2,622 2,625	2,622 2,624	2,634 2,623	2,633 2,621	2,633 2,624	2,638 2,631	2,635 2,633	2,635 2,639	2,640 2,647	2,646 2,656	2,654 2,666	2,671 2,675	2,676 2,679					
26. EMPLOYMENT, FEMALES CIVILIAN (c)	'000	Original Adjusted	1,097 1,101	1,100 1,105	1,105 1,108	1,111 1,112	1,123 1,116	1,120 1,120	1,116 1,123	1,133 1,129	1,139 1,130	1,139 1,137	1,140 1,140	1,140 1,143	1,140 1,144	1,143 1,149	1,148 1,152	1,155 1,156	1,167 1,160	1,166 1,165					
27. EMPLOYMENT, MANUFACTURING	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	1,251 1,253	1,250 1,253	1,250 1,254	1,255 1,257	1,260 1,260	1,255 1,262	1,260 1,264	1,273 1,265	1,277 1,266	1,274 1,269	1,273 1,272	1,271 1,272	1,271 1,274	1,272 1,275	1,277 1,282	1,282 1,285	1,290 1,290	1,283 1,290					
28. EMPLOYMENT, COMMERCE	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	636 642	636 643	639 644	643 645	656 646	661 646	650 648	649 649	647 649	649 650	650 650	649 652	647 653	649 656	651 656	656 657	668 659	673 658					
29. EMPLOYMENT, LARGER PRIVATE FACTORIES	'000 persons	Original	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	(e)	647	656	658	655	653	651	651	651	652	654	656	656	656	664			
30. EMPLOYMENT, NON-MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES (c)	'000 persons	Original	2,448	2,452	2,456	2,460	2,478	2,487	2,479	2,494	2,495	2,499	2,505	2,504	2,504	2,511	2,517	2,526	2,549	2,558					
31. PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT	'000	Original Adjusted	56.8 60.4	54.3 64.0	50.9 65.0	48.6 64.1	59.9 65.9	76.5 61.7	89.0 63.4	76.3 64.2	64.9 64.3	64.0 65.5	66.2 68.3	68.5 70.1	65.4 69.8	59.8 70.8	53.2 68.0	48.6 64.2	63.0 69.3	83.6 67.2	96.2 68.4	79.1 66.5			
32. VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE	'000	Original Adjusted	34.6 43.2	37.4 42.5	41.2 41.7	50.8 43.9	55.5 42.4	52.0 43.1	49.9 41.6	42.6 41.0	38.8 41.2	36.7 42.0	32.0 38.7	29.3 37.5	29.2 36.5	32.0 36.3	35.0 35.4	38.3 33.1	41.4 31.6	45.4 37.7	46.6 39.0	38.4 37.0			
33. UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT, NUMBER ON (d)	'000 persons	Original Adjusted	19.2 18.2	18.6 19.6	17.6 20.7	16.1 20.8	15.9 20.6	26.3 22.8	25.0 20.3	22.2 20.2	22.1 22.1	20.9 20.5	22.0 21.3	23.4 22.1	23.0 21.9	20.8 22.0	17.2 20.3	15.3 19.8	15.7 20.3	26.3 22.8	26.7 21.5	23.9 21.7			

(a) "Gold and Foreign Exchange held by Reserve Bank" was \$1,009 million on 14.2.68, \$996 m. on 13.3.68.

(b) Figures in items 22-30 refer only to employed wage and salary earners. Except for those in item 29, the figures are subject to revision. (c) Excludes employees in rural industry and in private domestic service. (d) Last Saturday of month. (e) Comparable statistics not available. \* Preliminary. † Revised. ø Reserves fell by \$24.8 m. between the last Wednesdays in October and November. This fall includes a loss of approx. \$113 m. resulting from the devaluation of United Kingdom and New Zealand currencies.

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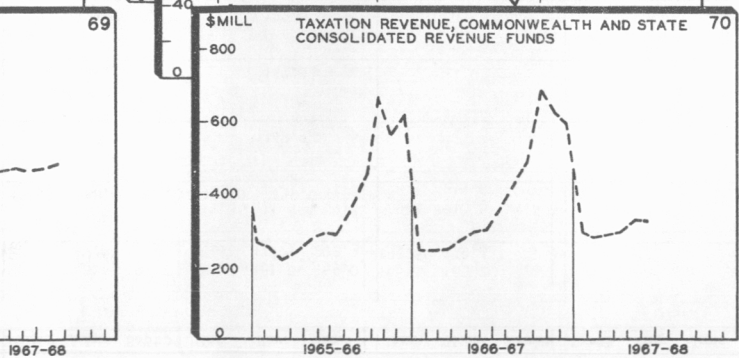
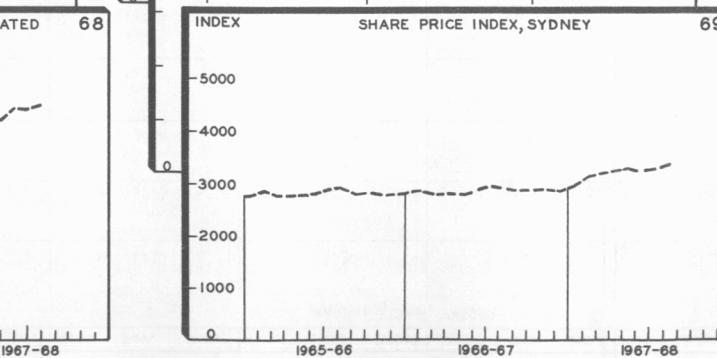
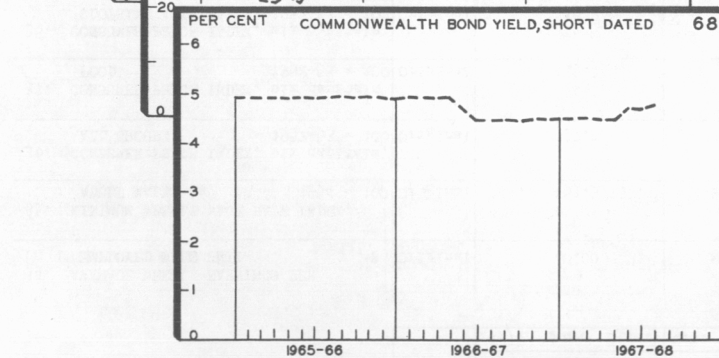
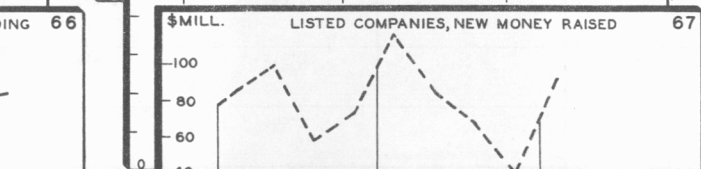
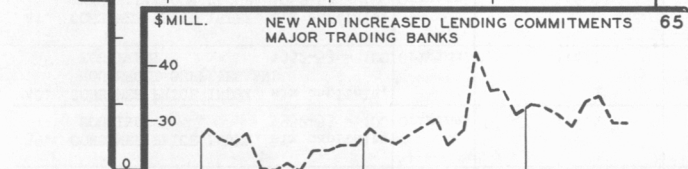
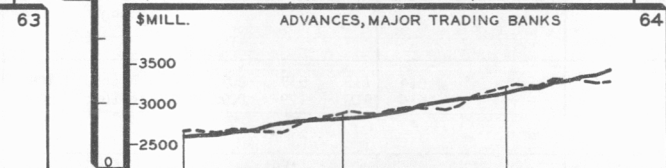
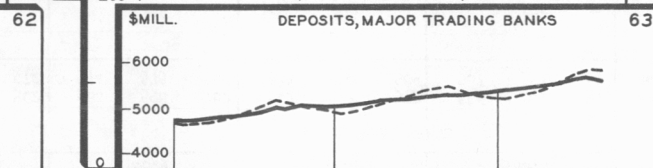
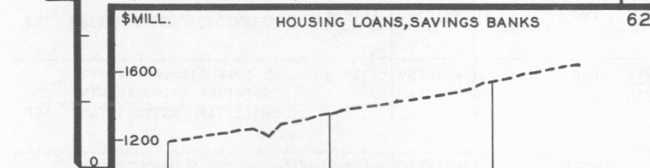
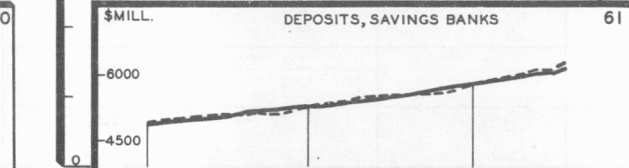
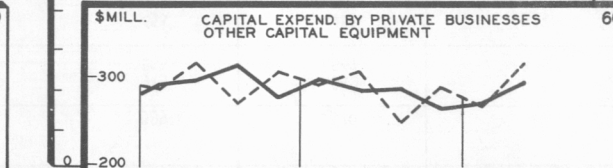
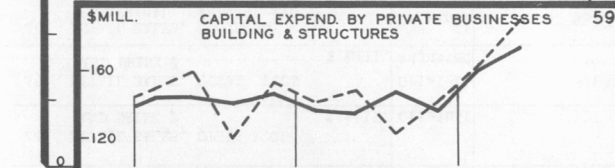
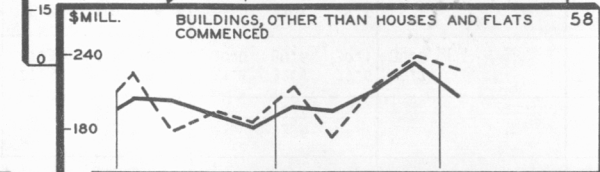
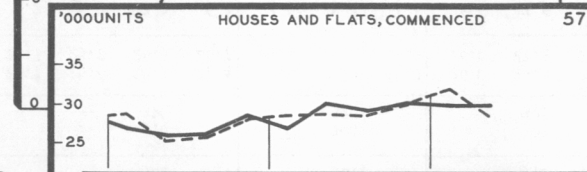
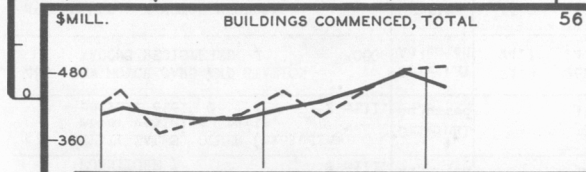
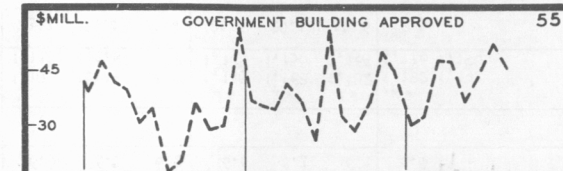
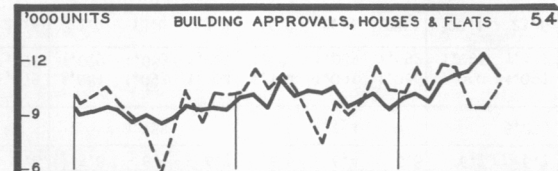
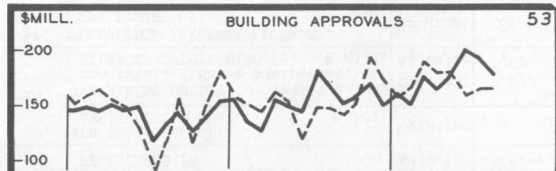
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WAGES, RETAIL PRICES																										
34. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT	\$	Original	60.00			62.30			58.30			62.40			63.40			66.10								
35. MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATE INDEX, ADULT MALES (a)	1954 = 100	Original	151.7	151.9	152.1	152.2	152.3	152.4	154.3	154.5	154.8	155.1	155.1	155.3	158.9	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0							
36. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, ALL GROUPS	1952-53 = 100	Original	137.1			138.4			138.9			140.6			142.5			142.9								
37. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals FOOD	1952-53 = 100	Original	139.7			140.7			141.6			144.2			148.3			147.0								
38. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals CLOTHING AND DRAPERY	1952-53 = 100	Original	118.2			119.3			119.7			120.8			121.2			122.0								
39. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSING	1952-53 = 100	Original	176.6			178.4			179.5			182.5			184.4			186.7								
40. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	1952-53 = 100	Original	114.7			115.1			115.0			115.6			115.8			116.3								
41. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, six capitals, MISCELLANEOUS GROUP	1952-53 = 100	Original	146.9			148.9			149.3			150.4			151.5			153.1								
INTERNAL TRADE																										
42. RETAIL SALES, ALL ITEMS except motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc. ø	\$ mill.	Original	540	554	562	564	598	782	542	528	572	556	606	574	570	593	600	f* 600	f* 641	f* 806	* 579					
		Adjusted	563	566	572	574	575	584	583	590	589	587	591	597	603	599	615	608	616	617	610					
43. RETAIL SALES, GROCERIES ø	\$ mill.	Original	284			314			283			292			306											
44. RETAIL SALES, OTHER FOOD AND DRINK ø	\$ mill.	Original	537			599			570			560			571											
45. RETAIL SALES, TOTAL FOOD AND DRINK ø	\$ mill.	Original	821			913			852			852			877			962								
		Adjusted	836			855			867			878			898			907								
46. RETAIL SALES, CLOTHING, ELECTRICAL, HARDWARE AND FURNITURE ø	\$ mill.	Original	530			653			485			577			566			690								
		Adjusted	547			562			561			572			587			597								
47. RETAIL SALES, OTHER (excluding motor vehicles, parts, petrol, etc.) ø	\$ mill.	Original	306			378			304			307			319			396								
		Adjusted	318			320			328			328			333			337								
48. NEW MOTOR CARS AND STATION WAGONS REGISTERED †	'000	Original	24.9	26.4	25.7	25.6	28.3	27.4	22.2	23.4	27.7	26.0	29.1	27.5	27.3	30.2	28.6	31.4	32.5	29.6	25.7					
		Adjusted	24.7	24.5	24.7	25.2	26.5	26.7	27.1	26.0	26.9	26.8	27.3	28.0	27.3	27.6	28.6	30.0	30.6	30.1	30.0					
49. OTHER NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (b) †	'000	Original	6.2	6.2	6.2	5.9	7.3	6.3	4.9	5.4	6.6	6.6	7.6	6.8	6.8	7.0	6.3	6.9	7.1	5.6	5.4					
		Adjusted	5.9	5.8	5.8	5.8	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.4	6.8	6.7	6.7	6.4	6.5	6.7	6.2	6.6	6.3	6.1	6.8					
50. NEW TRACTORS SOLD FOR AGRICULTURAL PURPOSES	No.	Original	3,074			4,785			4,754			5,259														
51. INSTALMENT CREDIT for retail sales, non-retail finance businesses, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (c) †	\$ mill.	Original	1,072	1,072	1,075	1,081	1,093	1,104	1,104	1,091	1,086	1,090	1,097	1,102	1,107	1,119	1,130	f* 1,147	f* 1,168	f* 1,182	f* 1,192					
		Adjusted	1,082	1,079	1,077	1,079	1,083	1,087	1,089	1,089	1,092	1,096	1,102	1,144	1,117	1,126	1,132	1,145	1,158	1,164	1,176	1,190				
52. TELEVISION VIEWERS' LICENCES, NEW ISSUES (d)	'000	Original	26.5	26.8	22.4	22.9	18.8	14.8	16.0	26.9	28.3	20.1	23.6	23.7	23.3	25.4	21.4	21.5	20.1	17.6	16.5					

(a) Weighted average. Excludes rural. (b) Other new vehicles includes utilities, vans, trucks, etc. (c) At end of month. Amounts financed in new agreements made were: June, 1967 \$62.3 m.; July \$60.1 m.; Aug. \$68.9 m.; Sept. \$64.5 m.; Oct. \$73.0 m.; Nov. \$76.7 m.; Dec. \$68.5 m.; Jan. \$65.7 m.

(d) Includes new issues of television viewers' licences and new issues of combined television viewers' and broadcast listeners' licences. Ø Items 42-7 exclude Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. \* Preliminary. † Revised.

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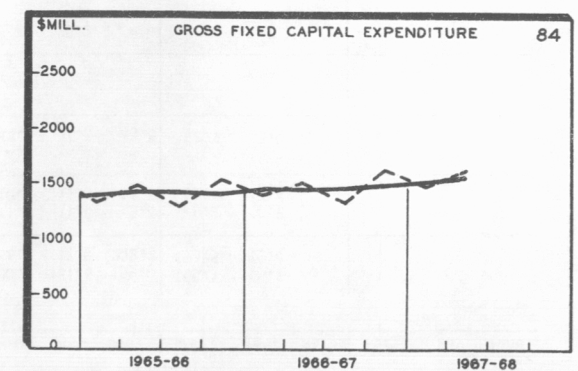
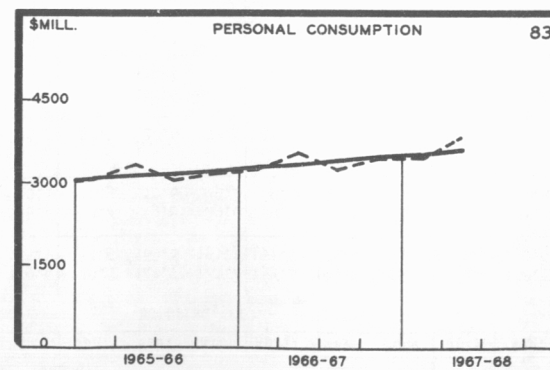
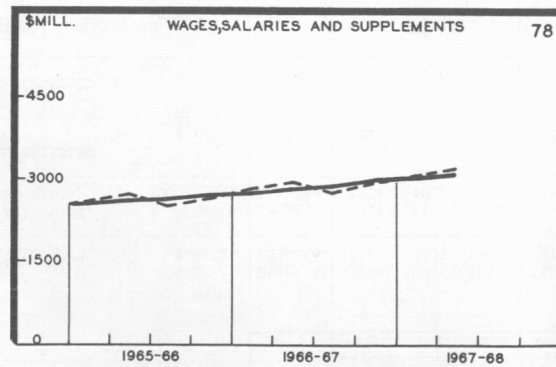
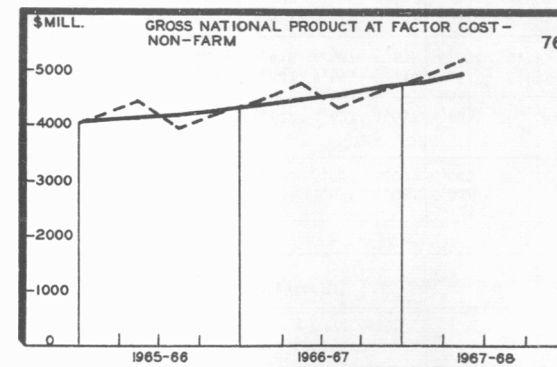
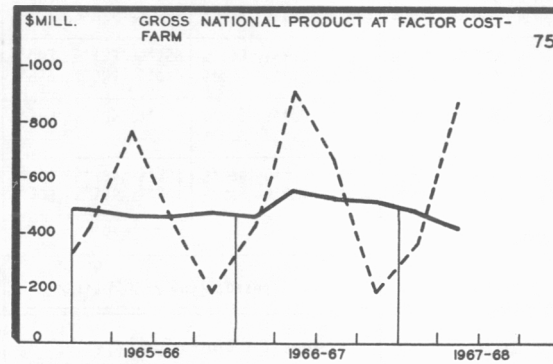
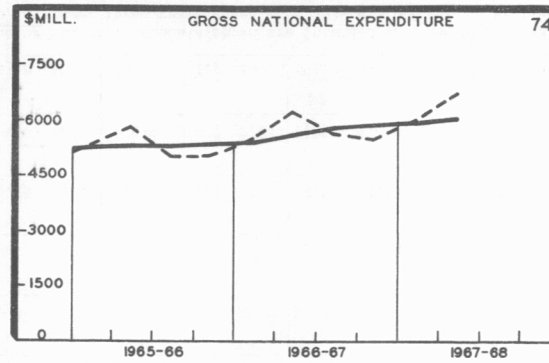
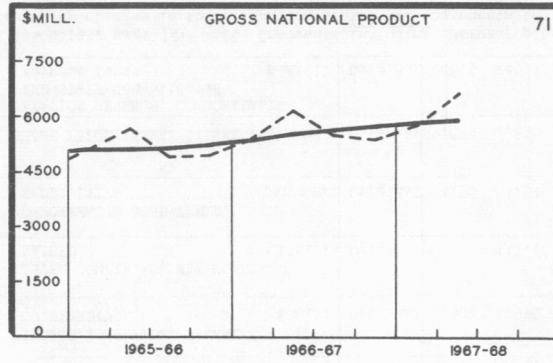




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			July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
BUILDING, ETC.																										
53. BUILDING APPROVALS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	157.2 161.1	152.6 136.7	144.5 128.6	162.9 157.8	155.0 151.0	119.6 145.1	149.8 184.5	147.7 168.6	142.4 151.1	153.6 157.4	195.5 173.6	176.6 150.2	158.3 162.2	168.1 150.6	190.7 178.3	180.4 166.6	181.6 177.5	159.0 202.3	165.1 193.5	165.2 179.4				
54. BUILDING APPROVALS, HOUSES AND FLATS	'000 units	Original Adjusted	10.3 10.1	11.6 10.2	10.4 9.4	11.3 11.1	10.4 10.0	8.9 10.4	7.4 10.3	9.8 10.6	9.0 9.4	9.8 9.9	11.8 10.3	10.3 9.4	10.2 10.1	11.7 10.3	10.4 9.8	11.8 10.9	11.6 11.3	9.4 11.5	9.4 12.5	10.8 11.2				
55. GOVERNMENT BUILDING APPROVED	\$ mill.	Original	36.4	35.0	34.6	41.8	36.4	25.3	57.2	32.6	28.5	36.7	50.7	44.6	29.8	32.5	48.1	47.7	36.5	43.8	52.1	43.0				
56. BUILDINGS COMMENCED, TOTAL	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted		447.6 414.8			401.1 435.5			447.6 451.7			484.3 480.5			494.2 457.1										
57. HOUSES AND FLATS COMMENCED	'000 units	Original Adjusted		28.5 26.7			28.7 29.8			28.3 29.0			29.6 29.7			31.5 29.4			28.2 29.4							
58. BUILDINGS, OTHER THAN HOUSES AND FLATS, COMMENCED	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted		214.4 196.3			168.9 193.9			216.7 211.8			237.0 234.4			226.7 207.0										
59. NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Buildings and structures (a)	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	141.3 (293.6 anticipated) 137.2 148.4 135.7						122.0 (285.0 anticipated) 147.2 142.5 136.2						164.7 (335.9 anticipated) 159.9 191.0 174.6											
60. NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BY PRIVATE BUSINESSES Other capital equipment (a)	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	291.1 (539.2 anticipated) 295.8 303.1 284.3						245.8 (527.5 anticipated) 286.5 288.5 264.5						266.6 (595.6 anticipated) 270.7 315.6 296.1											
FINANCE																										
61. DEPOSITS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	5,308 5,294	5,356 5,324	5,391 5,357	5,449 5,398	5,474 5,429	5,471 5,455	5,512 5,507	5,544 5,543	5,551 5,587	5,558 5,646	5,623 5,705	5,765 5,765	5,821 5,803	5,890 5,855	5,952 5,917	6,001 5,948	6,031 5,983	6,021 6,003	6,046 6,040					
62. HOUSING LOANS, SAVINGS BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	1,369	1,385	1,399	1,409	1,423	1,444	1,448	1,458	1,477	1,488	1,504	1,549	1,559	1,574	1,590	1,602	1,620	1,637	1,643					
63. DEPOSITS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	4,939 5,083	4,984 5,133	5,029 5,159	5,125 5,193	5,218 5,213	5,298 5,228	5,383 5,267	5,489 5,308	5,516 5,336	5,373 5,294	5,310 5,350	5,265 5,350	5,259 5,416	5,298 5,457	5,342 5,479	5,447 5,518	5,593 5,587	5,717 5,638	5,819 5,694	5,816 5,625				
64. ADVANCES, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original Adjusted	2,901 2,823	2,866 2,824	2,866 2,856	2,915 2,885	2,931 2,917	2,952 2,977	2,934 3,005	2,912 3,034	2,962 3,048	3,086 3,070	3,137 3,090	3,181 3,119	3,244 3,156	3,229 3,181	3,229 3,219	3,311 3,275	3,312 3,296	3,307 3,337	3,267 3,347	3,288 3,425				
65. NEW AND INCREASED LENDING COMMITMENTS, MAJOR TRADING BANKS	\$ mill.	Original	28.6	26.8	25.8	27.4	29.0	30.5	25.7	28.4	42.6	35.2	35.9	31.1	33.0	32.6	30.7	28.5	33.5	34.5	29.7	29.7				
66. FINANCE COMPANIES, BALANCES OUTSTANDING (b)	\$ mill.	Original	1,992	1,995	2,005	2,021	2,048	2,064	2,062	2,065	2,080	2,078	2,098	2,088	2,107	2,142	2,176	2,192	2,246	2,259	2,277					
67. LISTED COMPANIES, NEW MONEY RAISED	\$ mill.	Original		117.6			84.2			67.1			40.3			92.4										
68. COMMONWEALTH BOND YIELD, SHORT DATED	per cent	Original	4.98	4.97	4.96	4.97	4.75	4.53	4.50	4.51	4.50	4.52	4.51	4.52	4.53	4.53	4.51	4.51	4.75	4.71	4.80					
69. SHARE PRICE INDEX, SYDNEY (c)		Original	2,859	2,838	2,781	2,800	2,780	2,838	2,939	2,907	2,840	2,855	2,860	2,835	2,972	3,132	3,184	3,236	3,330	3,270	3,316	3,423				
70. TAXATION REVENUE, COMMONWEALTH AND STATE Consolidated revenue funds	\$ mill.	Original	248.9	249.1	252.3	271.5	303.8	307.7	362.0	436.2	490.8	686.2	628.1	597.2	292.9	283.0	287.8	302.8	335.0	326.8						

(a) See notes, page 14. (b) Contracts including charges, plus contracts excluding charges. Amounts shown are intended to provide a broad overall measure of total balances outstanding; however, movements may be affected by changes in the proportion of the two components to the total. (c) Average, three years ended June 1939 = 1,000. \* Preliminary. † Revised.

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			1966-67				1967-68			
			Sept Qtr	Dec Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr	Sept Qtr	Dec Qtr	March Qtr	June Qtr
NATIONAL ACCOUNTS										
71. GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT	\$ mill.	Original	5,470	6,285	5,609	5,464	5,844	6,733		
72. <u>plus</u> IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Original	899	868	951	972	1,008	967		
73. <u>less</u> EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Original	822	835	883	935	855	915		
74. GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Original	5,547	6,318	5,677	5,501	5,997	6,785		
71. GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT	\$ mill.	Adjusted	5,443	5,653	5,769	5,876	5,902	5,986		
72. <u>plus</u> IMPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Adjusted	880	886	971	954	987	988		
73. <u>less</u> EXPORTS OF GOODS AND SERVICES	\$ mill.	Adjusted	859	812	889	915	892	891		
74. GROSS NATIONAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Adjusted	5,464	5,727	5,851	5,915	5,997	6,083		
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT AT FACTOR COST -										
75. FARM	\$ mill.	Original	431	921	660	194	374	880		
		Adjusted	462	560	539	535	489	422		
76. NON-FARM	\$ mill.	Original	4,477	4,784	4,334	4,635	4,864	5,215		
		Adjusted	4,400	4,518	4,601	4,734	4,787	4,932		
77. <u>TOTAL</u>	\$ mill.	Original	4,908	5,705	4,994	4,829	5,238	6,095		
		Adjusted	4,862	5,078	5,140	5,269	5,276	5,354		
78. WAGES, SALARIES AND SUPPLEMENTS	\$ mill.	Original	2,816	2,967	2,770	2,956	3,032	3,214		
		Adjusted	2,793	2,846	2,883	2,997	3,017	3,092		
79. INCOME OF FARM UNINCORPORATED ENTERPRISES	\$ mill.	Original	212	677	444	-5	144	623		
80. OTHER PERSONAL INCOME	\$ mill.	Original	1,056	1,211	1,068	1,272	1,141	1,270		
81. <u>less</u> INCOME TAX PAYABLE and estate and gift duties	\$ mill.	Original	463	577	491	491	520	636		
82. PERSONAL DISPOSABLE INCOME	\$ mill.	Original	3,621	4,278	3,791	3,732	3,797	4,471		
83. PERSONAL CONSUMPTION	\$ mill.	Original	3,248	3,561	3,252	3,443	3,495	3,833		
		Adjusted	3,281	3,347	3,412	3,464	3,536	3,610		
84. GROSS FIXED CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	\$ mill.	Original	1,396	1,495	1,313	1,624	1,463	1,617		
		Adjusted	1,451	1,443	1,444	1,483	1,518	1,563		

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# EXPLANATORY NOTES

For further details of these items see publications listed on page 15

Item	Publication Reference No. (Page 15)	Item	Publication Reference No. (Page 15)
1. .. .. .	16,21	48,49. Registrations recorded by the registration authorities. Includes all government owned vehicles other than Defence Services.	28,29
2. Total generated, including electricity not for sale ..	21	50. Excludes wheel tractors of 15 horsepower or less before July 1967 and crawler tractors of 3,000 pounds weight or less e.g. small garden tractors.	33
3. Includes gas produced in gas works and gas purchased from oil refineries. Does not include natural gas ..	21	51. Figures relate to balances outstanding (including hiring charges and insurance) at end of period in respect of retail sales made by finance businesses which are not themselves retailers. Amounts financed - new agreements made exclude hiring charges, insurance and retailers' subsidiaries ..	13,14
4. Includes recovery from scrap. Annual figures year ended May. ..	21,22	52. Includes new issues of television viewers' licences and new issues of combined television viewers' and broadcast listeners' licences.	17
5. Portland cement. ..	21,26	53,54. Building permits issued by local government authorities and contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities. Number of houses and flats relate to individual living units.	4
6. Includes finished and partly finished motor vehicles. ..	21,23	55. Contracts let, work commenced and day labour projects authorised by government authorities for their own use, the use of their employees, rental or sale.	4
7. Includes those made and incorporated by manufacturers in their own products.	21,27	56. Estimated value of buildings on completion, excluding land.	5
8. Includes mixtures predominantly of cotton. ..	21,25	57. Excludes conversions to flats. ..	5,6
9. Includes mixtures predominantly of wool ..	15	58. See 56 above. ..	5
10. Includes sandals and moulded plastic footwear but not slippers, sandshoes, goloshes or rubber gum boots. ..	10	59,60. Statistics are from returns showing actual expenditure for each quarter and anticipated expenditure for next half-year, obtained from private businesses subject to Pay-roll Tax (other than rural, professional, gas and electricity), from government banks and airlines, and from other businesses undertaking projects of more than \$500,000 in any half year. Figures with slightly different coverage are available for years 1953-54 to 1956-57 inclusive.	7
11. In terms of fresh meat (carcass weight). Total production including estimates for meat produced from animals slaughtered on farms. ..	18	61. Deposits at end of period - all savings banks ..	31,32
12. .. .. .	20	62. Housing loans outstanding at end of period, all savings banks.	31,32
13. Source: National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia. Bales received into selling brokers' stores for disposal, excluding quantities received for re-sale. ..	1	63,64. Monthly averages of weekly figures of the major trading banks, (the Commonwealth Trading Bank and the seven private trading banks).	2,3
14. The value of wool sold at auction and privately by wool selling brokers, including wool carried over and sold and also wool resold. ..	12	65. For annual figures, average for 52 weeks ending second Wednesday in July; for monthly figures, weekly average for period ending second Wednesday of month. The series comprises new and increased lending commitments for both overdrafts and term loans entered into by major trading banks (commitments in respect of temporary loans to woolbuyers are excluded). Source: Reserve Bank of Australia.	-
15. Average price which a N.S.W. clip of constant average quality would realise if sold at the level of prices obtaining in the specified month. Annual prices are averages of monthly prices weighted by quantity of greasy wool sold in month in N.S.W. They are not therefore average auction prices for the year. ..	-	66. At end of period. Covers main types of lending by finance companies in Australia, comprising instalment credit for retail sales, wholesale hire purchase, other consumer and commercial loans and factoring. In so far as they provide instalment credit for retail sales the Finance Companies are also <u>included</u> in 51, Instalment Credit for Retail Sales. Includes leasing.	13
16-17. Total recorded overseas trade. See preface and explanatory notes, Monthly Bulletin of Overseas Trade Statistics. ..	11	67. Companies listed on Australian stock exchanges. New Money Raised is the net amount of cash transferred from the investing public to the issuing companies through the issues of shares, debentures, notes and similar securities and the acceptance of deposits. The investing public includes banks and life insurance companies (except when subscribing to issues by associated companies) and government and private superannuation funds, but excludes other government agencies.	8
18. Calculated by revaluing quantities at average unit values for 1955-56. ..	34	68. Theoretical 2 year securities. Average for the week is centred on the last Wednesday of the month. Income subject to Commonwealth taxation less rebate of 10 cents per dollar. Source: Reserve Bank of Australia.	17
21. Net Gold and Foreign Exchange Holdings (Official and Banking Institutions). Source: Reserve Bank of Australia. Annual and December figures as at end of period, other figures last Wednesday of month. ..	34	69. Average of monthly prices per \$2 of paid-up capital, 75 companies, adjusted for changes in capital structure. As published by Deputy Commonwealth Statistician, Sydney. ..	17,18
22,24-6. Excludes permanent defence forces in Australia or overseas. Based on returns of Government employment, Pay-roll Tax returns and other direct collections.	9	70. Excludes taxation collections paid direct to Trust Funds, e.g. Motor Taxes.	-
23. Includes all government employees in Australia (Commonwealth, States, Local and Semi-Governmental) employed on services such as railways, post office, etc., as well as administrative employees. ..	40	71-7. For references to concepts see "Australian National Accounts, National Income and Expenditure", published April, 1967.	19
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30. See 22 above .. .. .			
31,32. Source: Department of Labour and National Service, Registrations with Commonwealth Employment service. ..			
33. Excludes persons receiving sickness or special benefits and persons receiving the special benefits paid to migrants in reception and training centres.			
34. Male units represent total male employment and a proportion of female employment based on the approximate ratio of female to male earnings.			
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